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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS OF APPLICATION

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ATTENTION: Application Division, Special Handling Unit

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed July 2, 2001, please
find enclosed herewith the following items for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark
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- (1) a Declaration, Power of Attorney, and Petition executed by the inventor, James Wagstaff;
- (2) a Declaration, Power of Attorney, and Petition executed by the inventor, Andy Swenson;
- (3) an Assignment from the inventors, Andy Swenson and James Wagstaff to Nature's Way Products, Inc.;
- (4) a Petition for Extension of Time;
- (5) a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted;
- (6) Check No. 123356 in the amount of \$1,844.00 to cover the filing fee for the above-identified application; the recordation fee for the enclosed patent assignment; the surcharge fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e); and, the 2 month extension fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. These fees have been calculated as follows:

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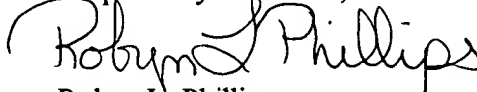
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Please address all future correspondence in connection with this case to the attention of the undersigned.

Dated this 17th day of October, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$574.
 - \$414 for 23 total claims over 20.
 - \$160 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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